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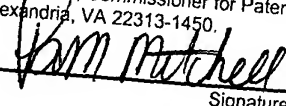
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Sir:

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- (1) 34-page patent specification with 77 claims and an abstract (also Figures 1-5 on 3 sheets);
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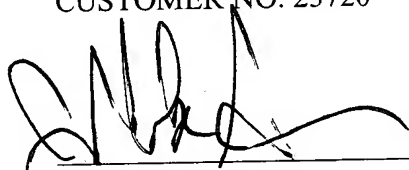
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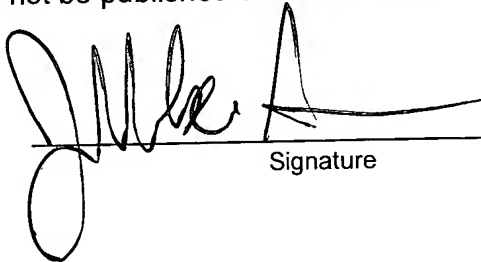
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